

REMARKS

Claims 5-28 are pending upon entry of the Response of September 16, 2004.

In accordance with the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, the status identifiers of claims 25-28 have been added to read "New." The amendments in claims 23 and 24 to change the reference from claim 15 to claim 22 have been deleted. The phrase "Please add the following new claims:" has been deleted. The specification, paragraph 27, has been amended to correct the strikethroughs. Accordingly, the Response is in compliance.

The Office is authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayments under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or § 1.17 to Deposit Account No. 11-0600.

Respectfully submitted,

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